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For Xmas Gifts
Furs
Bath Robes
Kimonos
Silk Waists
Silk Petticoats
We have very
pretty ones here

Dresses \$8.50 up to \$18. All shades
Our Suits 1-3 off
Our Coats also greatly reduced
We Carry Very Pretty Line of Sweaters
TODAY IS FREE STAMP DAY

The Ladies' Specialty Co.

"On the Square," Norwich

CONTRACTS FOR 4,000
VICKER SMACHINE GUNS
Made by War Department at a Cost
of \$5,500,000.

Washington, Dec. 19.—In accordance
with the original recommendations of
the special machine gun board, the
war department today let contracts for
4,000 Vickers machine guns and ac-
cessories at a cost of \$5,500,000, and
announced that additional contracts
soon would be let which would bring
the sum to be expended on such wea-
pons for the regular army and the

national guard up to about \$5,500,000.
The department's decision was con-
sidered as finally disposing of the sug-
gestion that the Lewis machine gun,
concerning which there has been a
bitter controversy, should be adopted
as the army standard. In announcing
the award, the department let it be
known that the machine gun board
had been reconvened to consider the
Lewis gun and after holding extensive
hearings had adhered to its original
recommendation.

Do you hear anyone kicking about
the high cost of pleasure?—Philadel-
phia Ledger.

Vote on District Prohibition Today

Friends of Senator Sheppard's Bill Expect Measure Will Pass
—Underwood's Amendment Providing a Referendum of
the Question to District Residents Was Beaten in Com-
mittee of the Whole by a Tie Vote, 38 to 38.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The way was
cleared in the senate today for a final
vote on Senator Sheppard's bill for
prohibition in the District of Columbia,
unless there is an unexpected ill-
buster, it will be put on passage to-
morrow. Friends of the measure ex-
pect it to pass.

The main fight came over Senator
Underwood's amendment providing a
referendum of the question to Dis-
trict residents. After many minor
changes had been made in its phrase-
ology, the amendment was beaten in
committee of the whole, 38 to 38. Sen-
ator Underwood gave notice that he
would ask for a separate vote on it
when the bill with amendments came
up for final action. Advocates of the
referendum still were hopeful tonight
that the necessary majority could be
found.

There is little chance that the tie
can be broken by Vice President Mar-
shall, since he is to leave Washington
before the senate convenes tomorrow.
Senator Sheppard showed a disposi-
tion to press for a final vote tonight,
but there was evidence that any at-
tempt to do so would result in a fil-
luster and after much parliamentary
manoeuvring the senate went into
executive session and left the bill to
take the ordinary course tomorrow.

Before the vote on the referendum,
the senate adopted, 54 to 15, a change
suggested by Senator Williams, which
would permit all persons "regardless
of sex," to participate and approved
also amendments confining suffrage to
the literate and those who are not de-
linquent in tax payments and extend-
ing it to residents of other states domi-
ciled in the District.

MENTAL CONDITION OF MRS.
GILLIGA NGROWS WORSE
Doubtful if She Ever Comes to Trial
for Alleged Murders.

Hartford, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Amy E.
Archer Gilligan, indicted September
21 for five murders of inmates of the
Archer home for elderly people in
Windsor, will not be tried at this time
of the superior court, and whether she
is ever tried on the murder charges
depends upon whether or not her men-
tal condition improves or grows worse.
She is said to be suffering from prison
psychosis and is unable to intelligently
confer with her counsel, B. M. Holden.
This situation was presented to
Judge James H. Webb in the superior
criminal court this afternoon by
State's Attorney Alcorn and Mr. Holden
and the court granted a continuance
of the case. Mrs. Gilligan will re-
main in jail until she gets better or
worse and the state's attorney said he
would try her sometime after her
mental condition improves.

Wallingford.—At a meeting of the
directors of the First National bank
Harry E. Dickerman was elected an
auditor to fill the vacancy caused by
the death of the late Andrew Andrews.

ANOTHER UPHEAVAL IN
THE WHEAT MARKET
Prices Advanced 7 1-4 Cents and
Later Fell Back 7 1-2 Cents.

At the close of the day's trading
Chicago, Dec. 19.—Despite a sensa-
tional advance of 7 1-4 cents in wheat
today, based on reports of the
British premier's speech, discussing
the German peace offer, the market
was ever tried on the murder charges
chiefly to widespread gossip that the
way to a peace conference had not yet
been barred. Excited selling accom-
panied the advance in prices and there
was a wide close with quotations
ranging nearly a cent each side of yester-
day's finish.

At the topmost point of the rise,
wheat values had recovered about 13
cents a bushel since the recent lowest
level was reached on Friday.

The upturn led to extensive profit-
taking by holders, but the selling did
not assume the proportions of a panic
until reports under London date lines ap-
peared in print here asserting that the
door was ajar for specific terms from
Germany and that a peace conference
was yet possible.

In the short time remaining before
the wheat market closed there was
but scanty leeway for any further
knowledge to be gained as to whether
the Lloyd George speech did or did not
afford an opportunity for a peace per-
spective. The result was that no solid
support for the market was immediately
available and the crumbling of
prices continued virtually without stop
until the gong cleared traders from the
pit.

Fear that if peace was indefinitely
postponed the effect on the American
export trade in wheat might prove dis-
astrous was to some extent a factor
of the late selling stampede. Dealers
who took this view laid stress on the
submarine peril, the railway em-
bargoes and on the piling up of the
domestic visible supply.

The main consideration, however,
was the uncertainty as to chance of a
peace conference.

Final prices showed the general in-
decision—December 34, lower at \$1.53,
May unchanged to 6-8 cents higher at
\$1.64 to \$1.65, and July 3-4 to 3 1/2
cents net higher at \$1.38 to \$1.39.

"MUST CARRY ON THE
WAR TO THE LAST MAN"
Declaration by Marquis of Crewe in
the House of Lords.

London, Dec. 19.—In the house of
lords today the Marquis of Crewe, the
government leader, said:
"We must carry on the war to the
last man, to the last shilling."

Lord Curzon, presenting the new
cabinet's policy in the house of lords,
said:

"The policy of the new government
is that the war must be conducted with
the utmost prosecution, that there must
be an ample return for all sacrifices,
that full reparation must be made by
the enemy for his countless crimes,
and security given that those crimes
shall not be repeated and that the
sacrifices made shall not have been in
vain."

Baron Courtney of Penwith, a peace
advocate, said that from what he could
see the nation would never be able to
attain its end through successful mili-
tary operations.

"We want peace," he declared, "the
German chancellor wants peace, and
can we not look sympathetically to-
wards his words and his speech and if
it is not possible ourselves to come to
an agreement might not the interven-
tion of some powerful friend help us
find a solution and so end this terrible
war?"

IDENTIFYING MURDERED
WOMAN BY HER TEETH

First Effort of Prosecution in the Fair
Trial at Bridgeport

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 19.—The
state introduced today its first
witness to identify part of the skele-
ton found in the woods in Darien in
August, 1914, as that of Mrs. Mary
aret Fair, for whose death her hus-
band, William F. Fair, and Jack De-
veraux are on trial here on a man-
slaughter charge. Dr. H. Booth of Albany testified that the
teeth in the skeleton, which was an
exhibit in the case, were those that
were treated when Mrs. Fair, then known
as Grace Clifton, was a resident of
Albany.

Experts on anatomy occupied the
entire session of the superior court
today. Dr. H. B. Ferris of Yale tes-
tified that he articulated the skeleton.
Dr. B. T. Stanley of Albany told of
Mrs. Fair's habits when, as he tes-
tified, she was an inmate of a house of
ill repute in that city. He had treat-
ed her for alcoholism, he said, and he
added that she was addicted to cig-
arettes and sleep-producing opiates.
None of these last named experts was
asked to identify the skeleton.

ARMY AVIATION SCHOOL
AT MEMPHIS, TENN.
Probable Selection by War Department
for Winter Establishment.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Memphis,
Tenn., probably will be selected by the
war department for the winter estab-
lishment of the army aviation school
for the central states, now located at
Chicago. Final selection, it was said
today, has not been made, but the
possibilities of Memphis are consid-
ered the best of any place under con-
sideration. The school is fitted with
equipment for an aviation squadron
and is attended by about fifty students.

Bridgeport.—Within the last two
weeks eggs have taken a big drop in
Bridgeport and for the sum of 50 or 60
cents one may now buy a dozen of the
strictly fresh variety. A short time
ago dealers in Bridgeport were get-
ting fabulous prices for eggs, some
reporting prices of \$1 and a few of
\$1.25.



The Boston Store



The STORE of the NEW and the GOOD



The Handkerchief Store

This Holiday Shop of Handker-
chiefs has few limitations. It was
organized months ago to fill the
wants of the gift seekers.

Beautiful Lace Handkerchiefs—
Venise, Duchesse and Armenian
Laces in many designs—
98c to \$6.50

Madeira Hand-embroidered Hand-
kerchiefs—exquisite and very rea-
sonably priced—
50c to \$3.98

Embroidered Handkerchiefs by
the thousand. Many styles and
many qualities—
5c to 75c

Initial Handkerchiefs—sheer hand-
kerchiefs with daintily embroidered
initial—
12/50 to 50c

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs—
25c to \$1.00

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs with
hams of various widths—
15c to 50c

Children's Handkerchiefs in pret-
ty boxes of three each—
7c to 65c a box



For the Baby

The gift for Baby is a gift for
Mother, too, if it is selected care-
fully. After you have bought the
toy buy something useful. Here
are a few suggestions:

Bibs, 25c to \$1.50.
Boots, 25c to \$1.00.
Carriage Boots, \$1.25.
Moccasins and Shoes 50c.
Knit Bonnets, 50c to \$1.75.
Knit Jackets, 80c to \$1.25.
Cashmere Jackets, 50c to \$1.50.
Cashmere Kimonos, \$2.50 to \$3.98.
Carriage Robes, \$2.50 and \$2.98.
Silk Bonnets, 50c to \$2.98.
Long White Coats, \$3.98 to \$12.98.
White Legging, \$1.25.
Dresses, 50c to \$5.98.
AND LOTS OF OTHER THINGS
AT LITTLE PRICE



Hand Bags and Pocket Books

For women, for children or for men,
many valuable and acceptable
gifts will be found on the counters
and the tables of our Leather Goods
Department.

HAND BAGS from \$1.00 to \$10.00.
A VERY SPECIAL VALUE
ONLY \$1.00

Particularly good looking bags in
all the desirable colorings.

Children's Bags, 50c to \$1.50, in
Velvet, Moire and Leather.

Ladies' Strap Pocket Books, all
colors, 50c to \$5.00.

LEATHER NOVELTIES
Many gifts, suitable for men or
women will be found in this de-
partment—Tourist Cases, Collar
Bags, Emergency Cases, Drinking
Cups, Diaries, Shopping Lists, Travel-
ing Slippers Etc.



Calendars and Christmas Cards

Where a simple recognition of the
Christmas season is desired there
is nothing better than an artistic
card or calendar. The cost is small.

CALENDARS
5c to \$2.00

Among the pictorial Calendars you
will find many choice pieces which
are truly artistic. There are others
with quaint sayings, daily re-

mindes, etc., which will enable you
to make the gift more personal in
tone.

BUY THEM NOW

We make a big display of the
little Christmas Cards, Gilded
Labels, Tags, Fancy Cord, Boxes,
Etc., at little prices.



Gifts of Extreme Utility

Waistings, Percalines, Flannels, Etc.,
have been cut in various pattern
lengths and placed in pretty holi-
day boxes. A pattern length of
some of these pretty and useful
goods will make someone a nice gift,
and one which will not cost much
money.

"SERPENTINE CREPE"
19c a Yard

Six-yard patterns of this well-
known weave have been prepared.
All the newest patterns and color-
ings.

"KIOTO" SHIRTINGS
59c a Yard

Shirt or Waist Patterns will be cut
and placed in pretty holiday box if
you wish. The weave is a beauti-
ful silk and cotton mixture.

CORDED AND SOISETTE
SHIRTINGS
25c a Yard

A waist or a shirt pattern will
make a very acceptable gift and
will not cost much. We will put it
in a pretty box for you.

THE BEST PERCALE
15c a Yard

Patterns of seven and eight yards
have been prepared and are ready
for giving. Very pretty and attrac-
tive.

BEACON BATH ROBE FLANNEL
33c a Yard
30-inch, Double-faced "Beacon"
Flannel, designed for this one pur-
pose. A large line of the prettiest
colorings and patterns. Cord sets
to match 39c—
33c a Yard

SATIN STRIPED VOILES
Beautiful waist and dress patterns
placed in holiday boxes with no
extra charge. A nice present for
the young lady—
69c a yard



Women's Hosiery

Put some stockings in her stock-
ing and she's sure to be pleased.
Hosiery is a sensible as well as an
attractive gift.

Black Cotton Hose in two weights,
15c a pair.

Silk Lisle and Cotton Hose, 25c a
pair.

Medium Weight Cotton Hose,
regular made, 29c a pair.

Women's Silk Lisle Hose or Gauze
Cotton Hose, 39c a pair.

Fibre Silk Hose in black or white,
59c a pair.

Pure Thread Silk Boot Hose, in
black only 59c a pair.

Pure Thread Silk Hose, regular
made in a good variety of colors,
65c a pair.

Women's Silk Hose, in black,
white and colors, \$1.25 a pair.

Phoenix Silk Hose for women.
A guaranteed hose, 80c and \$1.05 a
pair.

Women's Fancy Hose in a variety
of popular designs, \$1.25 a pair.

Pure Thread Silk Hose in black,
white and colors \$1.75 a pair.

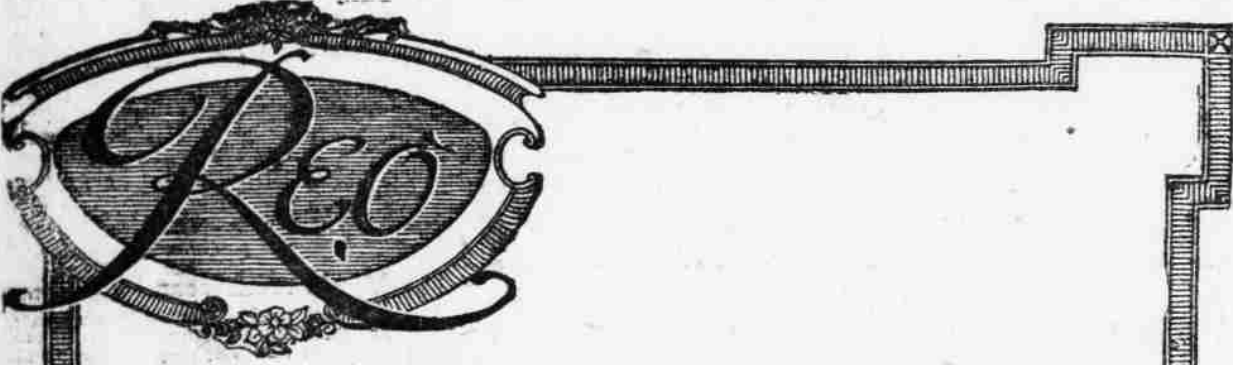
Women's Hand-embroidered Hose,
\$2.75 and \$3.00 a pair.



The Gift Umbrella

They say that you shouldn't look
a gift horse in the mouth, but these
gift Umbrellas will stand the closest
kind of inspection.

Umbrellas for Women—a big as-
sortment from the plain, substantial
ones at \$1.00 to the silks at \$5.00—
\$1.00 to \$5.00



The Most Suitable Gift Possible Would Be That Reo the Fifth She Has Wished for So Long

FOR SEVERAL REASONS this will be not
only the ideal Christmas gift, but this is the
ideal time to buy a Reo.

FOR ONE THING—though you need not
let on to her—you will derive just as much
pleasure from it as she will. Not more—
that would be impossible.

ANOTHER REASON IS that you have been
promising for a long time to sell the "old
boat," and get her a new car—one that will
be more in keeping with her social position,
her needs and her tastes.

AND YOU KNOW that of all the cars made,
she prefers Reo the Fifth—for she can drive
it herself. Many of her women friends
drive Reos—and they've told her, of
course, of its wonderful simplicity of control
"just like an electric," and of its de-
pendability.

THAT ABSOLUTE FREEDOM from the
"pesky little troubles" that vex most
motorists, and which are so distasteful—so
unthinkable—to a woman driver, makes
Reo the Fifth first choice of the most dis-
criminating buyer.

THE THIRD REASON has to do with the
second—that is, the selling of the "old
boat" to advantage.

DOUBTLESS YOU'VE LEARNED that
you can get more for your old used car
yourself than a dealer can—so it's really
folly to "trade it in."

THE IDEAL TIME to sell a used car is in
January or February—just when the big
spring rush is setting in—when all good,
desirable makes of cars are so hopelessly
over-sold it is impossible to get immediate
delivery for "love or money," and when a
"trade in" is almost out of the question.

BUYERS ARE HUNGRY then for any old
kind of a car—but dealers are hungry only
for new ones.

THERE'S THE TIME to advertise your used
car, sell it for cash, and realize more for it
than you can possibly do by trading.

P. S.—OF COURSE, IF TOO MANY dotting husbands or fathers or
brothers act on this suggestion, we may not be able to deliver all the
Reos Christmas morning "in the flesh." In that case a certificate of
acceptance of your order will suit her almost as well—and better than
anything else. And we'll tell her precisely when she may expect her
Reo—freight service alone excepted. For, you know what that is—
most uncertain. However, if you are one of the first, we will fill the
order promptly.

Reo Motor Car Company
Lansing, Michigan

W. R. FRISBIE
Majestic Building Norwich, Conn.



Prices are f.o.b. Lansing, Michigan

Now for the Extra Specials for the Holiday WATCH FOR OUR NEWS OF TURKEYS, POULTRY, ETC.

Delicious, Sweet Florida
ORANGES
15 for 25c

THE MOHICAN COMPANY

Beautiful Sunkist, Seedless
ORANGES
13 for 25c

**SPRING
LAMB**

Legs, lb. . . . 19c
Fores, lb. 12 1/2c
Loins and Rib
Chops, lb. . . 18c
Shoulder
Chops, lb. . . 15c

**ROUND and
SIRLOIN
STEAK**
lb. 17c

**UNCAS
CREAMERY
BUTTER**
lb. 39c
Today Only

**BEST
PURE
LARD**
lb. 20c
Fine Selected
EGGS
Every Egg Good
doz. 37c

**HOME-MADE
SAUSAGE
and FRESH
HAMBURGER**
lb. 15c
2 lbs. 29c

**NICELY
CURED LEAN
BACON**
lb. 23c
**SUGAR
CURED
CORNED
BEEF**
Fine Cuts
lb. 10-12 1/2-16c

Seedless
Raisins in
bulk . . . 14c
Cluster
Raisins, lb. . 28c
Citron
lb. 20c
Orange and
Lemon Peel
lb. 17c
Seeded
Raisins, pkg 10c
Candied
Cherries, lb. 35c

Candied
Pineapple
lb. 35c
Mohican Plum
Pudding can 25c
Shredded
Cocoanut
lb. 20c
Vanilla and
Lemon Extract
bottle . . . 21c
Mohican Special
Coffee, tin. 35c
California
Peaches can 23c

California
Lemons doz 18c
Whole
Cocoanut
each . . . 12 1/2c
Largest
California
Seedless
ORANGES
doz. 45c
60c value
Mixed Nuts
lb. 19c

Grape Fruit
3 for 25c
Xmas Trees
25c-35c
Wreaths
15c-20c
Yellow and
White Turnips
peck 25c
7 lbs. 15c